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Waukesha Fire Department Orders Horizon West Condominium Building Evacuated

WAUKESHA, WI – By order of Waukesha Fire Chief Steve Howard, the Horizon West Condominium Building at 315 N. West Avenue in the City of Waukesha has been ordered evacuated tonight, December 2, due to deteriorating structural conditions at the building. According to an independent structural engineering report, the building is at an imminent threat of collapse due to compromised conditions of existing structural columns. The moment we became aware of these issues this evening, we put an evacuation plan into action.

The building consists of 48 units and all families are currently being evacuated by police and fire personnel who are going door to door. The City is working with the Salvation Army of Waukesha to assist families with immediate housing needs.

Due to the possible collapse zone, the properties at 323 N. West Avenue and 307 N. West Avenue are also being evacuated.

We understand the impact this has the families that are being affected by this decision, but the public safety is of the utmost importance. We will have more detailed information for the media tomorrow, but tonight our priority is to notify each and every resident of the affected properties that they must immediately evacuate.

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